

Inventory of the

**Rockford Peace & Justice Action
Committee**
Rockford, Illinois

Records

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INTRODUCTION

Stanley Campbell, of the Rockford Peace and Justice Action Committee, donated the records for the organization to the Regional History Center on January 12, 2005. Addenda were added to the records at later dates.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT

The records for the Rockford Peace and Justice Action Committee (RP&JAC) date from 1982 to 1995 and consist of meeting minutes, newsletters, correspondence, and newspaper articles. Also included in this collection is information pertaining to "The Peace Store", an "alternative" store sponsored by RP&JAC and Sinnissippi Alliance for the Environment (SAFE), a local environmental group. In addition, the collection includes donor information, a mailing list of activists, and fundraising information related to a delegation sent to El Salvador.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Rockford Peace and Justice Action Committee was organized in 1983 as a coalition of church and secular members who shared a common commitment to peace and justice. The founders included: United Methodist Jerry Birkhahn-Rommelfanger, Vincent Holland, Dan Schrader from Dakota, Stanley Campbell, Quaker Peter Reilly, and others. The committee was formed to mobilize opposition to U.S. policy toward El Salvador; address the concerns of the hungry and exploited people of the world; and to oppose the increasing militarization of society.

The task of RP&JAC is to be a community of support; educate groups, churches, and individuals; and organize actions to impact public policy. A community of support is achieved by sharing resources, experiences, and concerns to enable people to work more effectively on behalf of peace and justice in churches, in the community and in public policy arenas. Groups, churches, and individuals are educated with films, slideshows, talks and community wide events to increase the public's awareness of critical peace and justice issues. Public policy is impacted through personal visits, letters, petition campaigns and public vigils to influence senators, congresspersons, Church and civic leaders in the formulation and implementation of public policy. RP&JAC believes that alone their efforts are scattered and wasted. By coordinating their efforts they can do what no one could do alone. Membership is open to all persons in sympathy with RP&JAC's objectives.

SUBJECT TRACINGS

Peace Movement
Rockford
Rockford Peace & Justice Action Committee

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	18	Peace Store, 1990-1995
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	5	Linder, Ben, American Killed, 1987	
	6	Network, 1988-1994	
	7	Pro-Contra Material, 1985-1987	
	8	Resources, 1990-1993	
	9	Speaker, Paul Rice, 1987	
	10	Trade for Peace, n.d.	
	11	Trip, "We're Goin' Again," 1988	
	12	Witness for Peace, 1986-1993	
	13	Other Hotspots, 1986-1994	
	14	Panama, 1990	
	15	Peru, n.d.	
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	9	Organizing, 1986, n.d.
	10	Publications: 1492-1992: News Visions, New Alliances, 1992
7	1	Cultural Survival Quarterly, 1987
	2	Green Letter in Search of Greener Times, 1991
	3	Women and Hunger, n.d.
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	17	Letters to Stanley Campbell, January 16, 1991-January 1994
	18	Alternative National Security Perspective Questionnaire, October 2, 1988
	19	Antiwar and Registration Handouts, n.d.
8	1	Articles on Hunger, 1985, 1988, n.d.
	2	A Catalog of Peace, Oregon Peace Institute, 1989-1990
	3	Central Committee of Conscientious Objectors, April 1985-Winter, 1992
	4	Conscience and Military Tax Campaign Newsletter No. 40, Winter 1990
	5	Conscientious Objector Registration, April 28, 1983
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	12	International Alliance for Atomic Veterans, June 7, 1986- Summer, 1988	
	13	Interview with a Veteran Contest, October 1986- August 1989	
	14	Letter to President Kim Young-Sam, January 1994	
	15	List of Conscientious Objectors and War Registers in Prison, n.d.	
	16	Living in Prewar American Symposium, October 4, 1986	
	17	McHenry County Defenders, June 1985- December 1985, May 29, 1991-December 1991	
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	19	National Interreligious Service Board for Conscientious Objectors, January 1981-January 1992	
	20	Newspapers, March 6, 1985-March 20, 2005	
	21	Pax Christi, October 19, 1985-February 4, 1990	
	22	Peace and Anti Draft Pamphlets, n.d..	
	23	Physicians for Social Responsibility, November 13, 1986- March 7, 1988	
	24	Prisoner of War Pamphlets, n.d..	
	25	Rockford College Peace Studies, May 16, 1987-September 19, 1989	
	26	Rock River Valley Peace Action-The Rainbow Network Newsletter, June 3, 1985-Fall 1993	
	27	SANE/FREEZE, November 9, 1985-1989	
	28	Selective Service List of Registrants June 29-November 3, 1981	
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	3	Stanley Campbell's 35 Birthday, n.d.	
	4	"Tailwind", Rebuttal to the Abrahms/Kohler Reports, June 22, 1998	
	5	Theater De La Junene Lune, 1990-1992	
	6	United Methodist Church Pamphlets, n.d.	
	7	Veterans Counseling Services, n.d.	
	8	Veterans Education Project, October 1990-Winter 1992	
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	13	Veterans of Foreign Wars, July 19, 1987-May 29, 1989	
	14	Veterans of the Vietnam War, n.d.	
	15	Veterans Vietnam Restoration Project, August 1990- November 27, 1991	
	16	“Vietnam and the United States” A Selective Bibliography of Fiction and Nonfiction at Rockford Public Library, November 22, 1991	
	17	Vietnam Veterans Against the War, November 11, 1986- December 10, 1993	
	18	Vietnam Veterans Against the War, DMZ Newsletters, December 1987-January 1989	
	19	Vietnam Veterans Against the War, “The Guidon”, July 1987-Spring 1992	
	20	Vietnam Veterans Against the War, “The Veteran”, Winter 1986-Fall 1987	
	21	Vietnam Veterans Against the War Anti Imperialist “Storm Warning”, February 1990-July 1993	
	22	Vietnam Veterans United to Prevent World War III, August 1987-Winter 1988	
	23	Washington D.C. Information, November 11, 1985-July 25, 2003	